

MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 27, 2011 CITY COUNCIL MEETING
City Hall, 135 East Johnson Avenue, Chelan, Washington

1. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Goedde called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. ROLL CALL

Elected Officials Present: Mayor Goedde; Councilmembers Cooney, Harper, Lingard, McCardle, Morehouse, Morse. Absent/Excused: Isenhardt.

Staff present: Administrator Reinbold, Attorney Galbraith, Clerk Liles, Finance Director Grant, Planning & Community Development Director Gildroy, Public Works Director VanEpps, Building Inspector/Code Enforcement Officer Hart, Receptionist Clerical Assistant Gallucci.

3. AGENDA CHANGES

None

4. CITIZEN COMMENTS

TRANSPORTATION IMPACT FEE (TIF) PROGRAM: Frants Holm-Nielsen, 108 Riviera Place, commented on the draft minutes of the 1/13/11 City Council meeting as follows. The draft minutes indicate that Council and the audience were concerned that the proposed fees are too high and would discourage development, when in fact they were against the fees. The minutes state it was Council's consensus to continue consideration of the proposed TIF program in a special workshop, but the consensus was to table the issue until the special workshop. Holm-Nielsen also took issue with several statements made by Van Epps during the 1/13/11 meeting. In conclusion, Holm-Nielsen said he is totally against the TIF, small business can't afford it, and the City better not try to camouflage it as a sewer hook-up fee.

Reinbold announced that the special workshop to continue discussion of the proposed TIF program has been scheduled for 6:00 p.m. on February 3, 2011. Reinbold explained that the workshop will be an opportunity for the consultants to thoroughly explain the proposal, input will be accepted and no action will be taken at the workshop. Cooney said he hopes developers will attend the workshop.

Lingard asked Holm-Nielsen how the City should pay for transportation improvements necessitated by development if not through a TIF program. Holm-Nielsen replied that the City is already collecting taxes.

5. CONSENT AGENDA

Morse moved to approve the consent agenda as follows. Seconded by Lingard, motion passed unanimously.

- A. Approve minutes of the January 13, 2011 regular City Council meeting as amended to add the following statement: "The majority of those in the audience who spoke concerning the proposed imposition of a transportation impact fee were against it."
- B. Approve Claim Warrants: #76153 – #76214 totaling \$125,400.38.
Approve Payroll Warrants: #35180 - #35186 totaling \$125,514.12.
- C. Confirm Mayor's reappointment of Terri Emery to position #1 on the Parks & Recreation Advisory Board for a term beginning January 1, 2011 and expiring December 31, 2012.

6. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

Gildroy introduced Steve Hart, who was recently hired as the City Building Inspector/Code Enforcement Officer.

7. PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

8. ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND OTHER ACTION ITEMS

A. SIGN CODE AMENDMENT: Gildroy reminded Council that on December 9, 2010, it accepted the Planning Commission's recommendation approving sign code revisions and directed staff to prepare and present the appropriate ordinance to effect those revisions. Gildroy presented the resulting ordinance for Council consideration. There being no comments or questions, **McCardle moved to adopt Ordinance No. 2011-1417 adopting amendments to the sign code related to the Downtown Master Plan. Seconded by Morehouse, motion passed unanimously.**

B. PLANNING SERVICES AGREEMENT/USE OF CONSULTANTS/SUSTAINABILITY: Gildroy noted that the Planning Department has relied on Sandra Strieby's assistance with current and long term planning since 2006, and he asked Council to approve an agreement for her continued assistance in the coming year at a fee not to exceed \$118,515.00. Gildroy then reviewed the proposed agreement.

Morse stated that he was initially against continuing Strieby's services due to his frustration with the Sustainability Committee, which Strieby chairs. However, he has reconsidered and is prepared approve it and address his frustration within the committee.

Morse, Mayor Goedde, Cooney and Morehouse then voiced concern that the City overuses consultants. Morse said he understands that staff needs help, but would recommend that they not try to do everything at once. Morse asked for an accounting of what the City spends on consultants. The Mayor said the City needs to be very frugal in its use of consultants and should investigate what other cities do and spend on consultants. Cooney observed that consultants seem to be overly involved in process – they confuse activity with results. Cooney asked for a list of planning projects and suggested putting a hold on neighborhood planning because to his knowledge that effort hasn't produced results.

Lingard asked for a quarterly report on Strieby's work. McCardle said it would be helpful if there was a way to critique the work – if what was asked of the consultant and what was delivered could be compared. Gildroy agreed to provide the requested information.

Morehouse asked if the pursuit of sustainability was mandated by the legislature. Reinbold said it wasn't a legislative mandate, although the Governor has issued in executive "go green" order. Reinbold also noted that Council had directed that sustainability be added as an element of the Comprehensive Plan and that the committee needs to decide what it is doing. Morehouse said he favors giving sustainability a lower priority than it has had. Morehouse also asked that the committee report its plans to full council

McCardle moved to authorize the Mayor to sign the Professional Services Agreement with Sandra Strieby for planning services from January 1, 2011 through December 31, 2011. Seconded by Cooney, motion passed unanimously.

- C. OKANOGAN TRANSPORTATION & NUTRITION FUNDING AGREEMENT: Grant presented a proposed agreement with Okanogan Transportation & Nutrition to provide \$2,000 in funding for the Chelan Senior Meals Program. Grant noted that Council did include \$2,000 for this purpose in the 2011 budget.

Morse moved to authorize the Mayor to sign the *Funding Agreement between the City of Chelan and Okanogan County Transportation and Nutrition for 2011*, as presented. Seconded by Lingard, motion passed unanimously.

- D. RATE RESOLUTION AMENDMENT: Grant presented a proposed resolution amending the existing rate resolution and noted changes, including an increase in daily greens fees for 9 and 18 holes of play during both the peak season and off-peak season, addition of language to address plan review fees when identical plans within a development are submitted, and the incorporation of a demolition permit fee. Grant reported that after the proposed rate resolution was provided to Council, the Golf Pro had noticed a minor error. He asked that the proposed greens fees for 18 holes of play in both the peak and Off-peak season be adjusted by one cent to make them come out to an even dollar when sales tax is added. He also asked that the definition of "peak season" be changed to read "Memorial Weekend thru September 30th" and that the Apple Classic be removed from the list of special tournaments. Staff then answered Council's questions concerning city rates.

Lingard asked if the golf course made a profit in 2010. Grant said she would email him an accounting of revenues and expenditures as soon as she closes the 2010 books.

Morse moved to adopt Resolution No. 2011-1227 amending rate Resolution No. 2010-1217, as amended to change the proposed fee of \$31.46 for adult play of 18 holes of golf during the off season to \$31.45, to change the proposed fee of \$37.01 for adult play of 18 holes of golf during the peak season to \$37.00, to change the definition of "peak season" to "Memorial Weekend thru September 30th" and to remove the Apple Classic from the list of special tournaments. Seconded by Lingard, motion passed unanimously.

- E. LIBRARY EXPANSION PROJECT – CC CONSULTING AGREEMENT: Reinbold reported that he, the Library Advisory Board, Friends of the Library, the Librarian and citizen Mary Murphy, acting together as the Library Expansion Project Steering Committee, are asking the City to enter into an agreement with Roxi and Harvey Nanto dba CC Consulting to prepare an application for a Planning Only Community Development Block Grant to fund a library needs assessment and the gathering of information for use in pursuing future funding opportunities. Reinbold noted that Council set aside \$10,000 for this work in the 2011 city budget.

At Cooney's request, Reinbold explained that if Council authorizes the planning grant application, it will be prepared by CC Consulting and submitted; if the grant is awarded, it will be used to fund a needs assessment; if the assessment indicates a need to expand, the City will apply to the CDBG program and other sources for funding to do the work. Cooney stated that he doesn't want the current library building to be improved; he wants a library closer to downtown. Reinbold responded, explaining that the steering committee had considered relocating, but decided against it because the purchase of property would be prohibitive.

Morse moved to authorize the Mayor to sign the *Professional Services Agreement with CC Consulting* for that firm's preparation of an application for a Planning Only Community Development Block Grant to fund a library needs assessment and to gather information as preparation for future funding opportunities. Seconded by McCardle, motion passed unanimously.

- F. DON MORSE BOAT LAUNCH & MARINA RENOVATION: Sablan requested: (1) Council's retroactive adoption of a resolution authorizing application to the Recreation and Conservation Office for a Boating Facilities Program grant to help fund the Don Morse Park Boat Launch and Marina Renovation project (part of the Shoreline Restoration/Beach Enhancement/Marina Expansion Project); and (2) Council's retroactive certification of the availability of matching resources for the project. Sablan explained that in order to meet the application deadline, staff included the signed resolution and certification in the application packet without Council's prior approval. Their thinking was that if Council wished to pursue the funding, staff didn't want to jeopardize the process by submitting an incomplete application. However, if Council chose not to fund the required grant match, the City could withdraw from grant consideration. Sablan noted that the application indicated that the City would fund the match through a combination of general obligation bonds and cash reserves, though this has yet to be evaluated by Council.

Following brief discussion, McCardle moved to adopt Resolution 2010-1225 authorizing application to the Recreation and Conservation Office for funding assistance through the Boating Facilities Program for the Don Morse Park Boat Launch and Marina Renovation Project and to authorize the Mayor's signature on the Authorizing Resolution and Certification of Sponsor Match effective December 9, 2010. Seconded by Morse, motion passed unanimously.

- G. 2011 COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS: The Mayor and Council discussed assignments for 2011 and reached consensus as follows: GOEDDE - Emergency Management Program, Lake Chelan Chamber of Commerce, Link Transit Board; COONEY - General Government Committee, Public Works Committee, Arts Council Alternate - Sustainability Committee, Community Roundtable, Historic Downtown Chelan Association, Solid Waste Advisory; HARPER - Mayor Pro Tem, Finance Committee, Public Safety Committee, Public Works Committee, LEOFF Retirement Board, Alternate - Emergency Management Program, Link Transit Board; ISENHART - General Government Committee, Public Safety Committee, Sustainability Committee, Economic Development District/Resource Conservation & Development, Regional Support Network LINGARD - General Government Committee, Regional Transportation Planning Organization, Alternate - Finance Committee, Public Safety Committee, Regional Support Network; MCCARDLE - Sustainability Committee, Tourism Promotion Group, Alternate - Regional Transportation Planning Organization; MOREHOUSE - Finance Committee, Public Safety Committee, Chelan County Solid Waste Advisory, Historic Downtown Chelan Association, Alternate - General Government Committee, Public Works Committee, Lake Chelan Arts Council, Lake Chelan Water Quality Committee, Lake Chelan Chamber of Commerce, Tourism Promotion Group; MORSE - Finance Committee, Public Works Committee, Sustainability Committee, Alternate - Economic Development District/Resource Conservation & Development, Lake Chelan Water Quality Committee.

9. MAYOR, COUNCIL COMMENTS

- A. WINTERFEST 2011: McCardle thanked staff for their assistance with the event.

Mayor Goedde and Councilmen Cooney, Morse and Morehouse praised the event and thanked McCardle for organizing it. The Mayor suggested McCardle ask the Chamber of Commerce to send a letter about the event to the PUD parks department so staff there can report on it to their commissioners.

- B. JOHNSON AVENUE PEDESTRIAN SAFETY PROJECT (ROUNDBABOUTS): Cooney stated that the ad hoc committee would be meeting at 4:00 on 2/3/11.

Morehouse said two good videos on roundabouts in Bend, Oregon, are available and he recommends councilmembers view them.

- C. PUBLIC LIBRARY EXPANSION PROJECT: Cooney said that the City shouldn't consider remodeling the current public library building until all locations closer to downtown are exhausted.

Harper disagreed, saying he thinks the current library location offers a lot of opportunities.

Morehouse said he likes the current library location, but the building does need to be bigger.

- D. RV PARK: Referring to Grant's offer to provide Lingard with a report on 2010 golf revenues and expenditures, Cooney said he would like to see an accounting of revenues and expenditures for the RV Park as well as.

- E. COUNCIL OBJECTIVES: Cooney observed that Council is sometimes reactive and it is time to get back to its list of objectives.

- F. REQUEST FOR REIMBURSEMENT: At Morehouse's request, Council consented to the City's reimbursing Morehouse for the cost of gas to drive to and from a meeting on fisheries in the Tri-Cities area.

- G. WOODIN AVENUE BRIDGE: Morse suggested installing a picket fence on either side of the Woodin Avenue bridge roadway as a temporary measure to protect pedestrians from being struck by vehicle mirrors.

Mayor Goedde said the bridge rehabilitation project is back on track and he provided a brief status report.

- H. KEEPING OF FARM ANIMALS: Morse referred to an article in the 1/20/11 issue of the Wenatchee World that about the City of Wenatchee Planning Department's recommendation that the City adopt more permissive rules for keeping farm animals within city limits. Morse pointed out that for some time he has advocated that City of Chelan do this. Morse asked planning staff to look into it. Gildroy informed him that planning staff is already doing so.

- I. HISTORIC DOWNTOWN CHELAN ASSOCIATION: Mayor Goedde said he intends to purchase a sign for HDCA's office with his own money.

- J. PUD PROPERTY ACQUISITION: Mayor Goedde reported that the latest appraisal of the PUD property (southeast corner of Johnson and Columbia) is done, and he will give a copy to Steve Currett at the PUD. Reinbold added that the appraisal looks fair.

10. STAFF REPORTS

- A. WAREHOUSE/INDUSTRIAL ZONE: Reinbold reported that the Warehouse/Industrial Zone Committee met earlier in the day and is discussing land use and promotion.
- B. GENERAL GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE: Reinbold announced that the General Government Committee would meet at 4:00 p.m. on Friday to discuss the Lakeview Drive-in Lease and PUD property appraisal.
- C. PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE: Reinbold announced that the Public Works Committee would meet at City Hall at 4:00 p.m. on February 1.
- D. SHORELINE MASTER PLAN: Gildroy commented on the status of the Shoreline Master Plan.

11. RECESS (AIRPORT BOARD MEETING)

At 7:45 p.m. the Council meeting was recessed to allow the Mayor and Councilmembers to participate in the regular meeting of the Lake Chelan Airport Board. Council meeting reconvened at 7:46 p.m. following adjournment of the Airport Board meeting.

12. EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

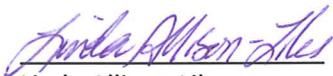
11. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, meeting adjourned at 7:46 p.m.

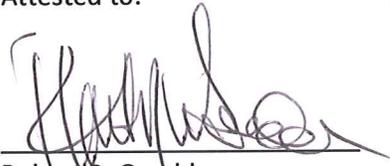
Prepared by:

Attested to:

Date approved by Council: February 10, 2011



Linda Allison-Liles
City-Clerk



Robert R. Goedde
Mayor